

Bank as that committee?

A I do.

Offutt: That is all I have.

Court: Mr. Smith, you stated, of course, that your father apparently is not well. What are his symptoms?

A His symptoms are that he is just mentally incompetent to take care of himself.

Court: You mean he doesn't understand his surroundings?

A If we go down there he doesn't even know us. He has called me . . . a friend of his, I don't know whether you know him, Mr. Wimpigler, a roofer here in town. He has called me Mickey and called my sister here maybe the housekeeper's daughter, Margaret, or somebody. And then they come in and he is liable to call them somebody else. Now and then it might be a recognition - I don't know if it is but one time I did take . . . at one time that I went there since he has been at Springfield he did say something that one time I was Ed like that.

Court: Now, I notice that he was moved down there in August of this year and apparently this condition existed before that. Who looked after his state of affairs and how were they handled up to the time he went down there?

A The housekeeper that he has been with since he separated from my mother. He was committed at the time before that she was taking care of him but he was at the Monocacy Nursing Home for quite a while and then he got too out of hand and they couldn't handle him out there and she called me, the housekeeper did, and said that they wanted him moved, that they couldn't handle him, and no other nursing home would take him. So when I went to Dr. Conley - he is on North Market Street - I always get them mixed up, he and another doctor. He committed him to Springfield Hospital on account of the condition that he is in. He said that he would be better taken care of there and not only that, we found out in his room out there he was breaking the furniture up.

Court: Well, now, the other brother and sister and the niece, do they know about these proceedings?